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Seeking Appointment as Attorney for Defendant
REQUISHA ANJUANA WATKINS

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	No. Cr. S 04-78 GEB
)	
Plaintiff,)	REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF
)	COUNSEL; [lodged] ORDER
v.)	
)	<u>RETROACTIVE CRACK COCAINE</u>
REQUISHA ANJUANA WATKINS,)	<u>REDUCTION CASE</u>
)	Date: March 21, 2008
Defendant.)	Time: 9:00 a.m.
)	Judge: Hon. GARLAND E. BURRELL
_____)	

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3006A(c) and 3582(c)(2), Defendant, REQUISHA ANJUANA WATKINS, hereby requests the court appoint the Office of the Federal Defender and Assistant Federal Defender David M. Porter as counsel to represent her with respect to her motion to reduce sentence pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2), filed February 28, 2008. Mr. Porter is familiar with the case and is willing to accept the appointment.*

Appointment of counsel would serve the interests of justice in this case because it might facilitate a negotiated disposition of the motion and because the motion might raise novel legal issues

* Ms. Watkins has authorized the undersigned to file this application on her behalf.

1 surrounding application of the United States Sentencing Commission's
2 recent retroactive reduction of sentences under the crack cocaine
3 guidelines. Because Ms. Watkin's substantial rights may be affected by
4 these criminal proceedings, she is constitutionally entitled to
5 appointment of counsel. *Mempa v. Rhay*, 389 U.S. 128, 134 (1967).

6 Accordingly, Ms. Watkins requests the Court issue the order lodged
7 herewith.

8 Dated: February 28, 2008

9 Respectfully submitted,

10 DANIEL J. BRODERICK
11 Federal Defender

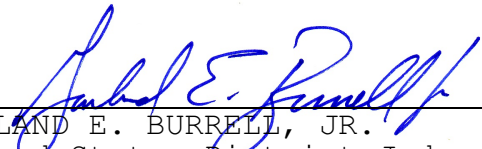
12 /s/ David M. Porter
13 DAVID M. PORTER
14 Assistant Federal Defender

15 Seeking Appointment as Attorney for Movant
16 REQUISHA ANJUANA WATKINS

17 **ORDER**

18 Pursuant to defendant's request, and good cause appearing
19 therefor, the Office of the Federal Defender and Assistant Federal
20 David M. Porter is hereby appointed to represent defendant with respect
21 to her motion to reduce sentence.

22 Dated: March 3, 2008

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24 GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR.
25 United States District Judge
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